



January 29, 2025

By Email

Information Practices Department
University of California, Los Angeles Compliance
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Re: Public Records Act Request – Center for Critical Internet Inquiry

Dear Information Practices Department,

Pursuant to California’s Public Records Act, Government Code section 7920 *et seq.*, I write to request copies of the following records relating to UCLA’s Center for Critical Internet Inquiry. As used in these requests, “record” has the broadest definition under the Public Records Act, which “includes any writing containing information relating to the conduct of the public’s business prepared, owned, used, or retained by any state or local agency regardless of physical form or characteristics.” Cal. Gov’t Code § 7920.530. “Communication” means any public record that reflects interaction between two or more people, including memos, emails, text messages, iMessages, WhatsApp messages, and any other means of correspondence.

All requests are limited to the timeframe from January 1, 2020 to the present. Unless otherwise noted, all requests are limited to the custodians Sarah T. Roberts, Safiya Noble, Stacy E. Wood, Otis Noble III, and Kristi Mai.

1. All records containing the terms “National Science Foundation” or “NSF” or any other known abbreviations or names to refer to the National Science Foundation.
2. All communications between any of the above-listed custodians and federal government officials or employees with a “.gov” or “.mil” email address.
3. All records that reference the Knight Foundation.
4. All communications between any of the above-listed custodians and officers or employees of the Knight Foundation with a

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“knightfoundation.org” email address or other email address known to belong to the Knight Foundation.

5. All communications between any of the above-listed custodians and officers or employees of Meta, Facebook, Instagram, Alphabet, Google, YouTube, Snap, Twitter, X Corp., or Reddit.
6. All records that reference the Minderoo Foundation.
7. All records returned by a search of the terms “censor!”, “free speech”, “First Amendment”; and “throttle!”.

If you object to any request based on the grounds allowed in the Public Records Act, please email me so that I may clarify my request. I respectfully request the University waive all fees associated with this request because all records can be provided electronically. Alternatively, I agree to pay any reasonable fees not exceeding \$1,000 that are permitted by law for the processing of this request. If you anticipate the fees will exceed \$1,000 please notify me by email before processing this request.

Please produce all records in their native electronic format with all associated metadata. Please send the response to this request via email to mhoffmann@ADFlegal.org.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via email.

Sincerely,


Mathew W. Hoffmann
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